

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention, generally speaking, provides for control of a modulator, such as a polar modulator or conventional linear modulator, to produce high quality RF signals that ramp quickly from a condition of minimal output power to a condition of information-bearing modulation at a specified output power and back down to the condition of minimal output power. Using a polar modulator, for example, it is theoretically possible to perform ramping without degrading the transient measurements beyond the degradation caused by the information-bearing modulation itself. This ideal can be closely approached in practice. Such ramping can be achieved without the need for extensive unit-by-unit calibration on the manufacturing line.